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1. SUBJECT SEMINAR, CO-SPONSORED BY DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, WILL FOCUS ON PROBLEMS OF WORK PLACE AND LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, HOST AND HOME COUNTRY.

2. GENERAL TOPICS WILL BE: (1) PROBLEMS AND PRACTICES OF MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS; (2) MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AS INNOVATORS AND CHANGE AGENTS; (3) UNIONS AND MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS; (4) MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSNATIONAL BARGAINING.

3. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OBJECTIVES ARE: (1) LIST OF RESEARCHABLE TOPICS; AND (2) INITIATION OF CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE IN U.S. ON THIS TOPIC.

4. SPONSORS PLAN TO INVITE ABOUT 15 PARTICIPANTS FROM OUTSIDE U.S. WILL CHOOSE FROM LIST OF 45 NAMES BELOW. SEMINAR WILL INCLUDE 50 FROM U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WOULD APPRECIATE LABOR ATTACHES ASSIGNING PRIORITY (1,2,3) AND COMMENTING, IF PERSON IS KNOWN, ON APPROPRIATENESS OF INVITATION. WOULD WELCOME ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS.

5. MANAGEMENT: WM DE VRIES (DUTCH SHELL); JACK BEDFORD (MASSEY-FERGUSON); MARCEL DILLES (FORD-BELGIUM); KARL OLAF FAXEN (SKF-SWEDEN); J.P. ,94 53\$5 (SKF-SWEDEN); JACQUES MAISONROUTE (IB); SIR MICHAEL CLAPHIM (ICI); GEORGE MCCOLLOUGH (EXXON); WM DAVISON (UNILEVER); DR. CUTTICA (FIAT); GRANDI (PERELLI); RICHARD DECOSTERD (NESTLE); DR. W.R. HABEL (AUDI); DAN MCCAULEY (FUE-IRELAND); W. SCHLOTFELDT (OPEL); LEN PEACH (IBM); DRONKERS (PHILLIPS); JOHN ALAN JAMES (MCI).

6. UNION REPRESENTATIVES: HERIBERT MAIER (FIET); GUNTER KOEPKE (EMF); MOSS EVANS (TGWU); WERNER THOENNESSEN (IMF); KARL HEINRICH PITTS (IG METALL); BRUNO TRENTAIN (CSIL-ITALY); BRUNO STORTI (CISL-ITALY); DAVID LEA (TUC); JOHN OLLSSON (LO METAL WORKERS); ROBERT HAWKE (AUSTRALIA); CLYDE CAMERON (AUSTRALIA).

7. ACADEMICIANS: WILLIAM WEDEBURN (U.K.); DEREK ROBINSON (U.K.); ROGER BLANPAIN (BELGIUM); GUY SPITELS (BELGIUM); FRANCOIS SELLIER (FRANCE); YVES DELAMOTTE (FRANCE); GUINI LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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9. SEMINAR IN EARLY PLANNING STAGES BUT INVITATIONS, ESPECIALLY SPEAKERS, UNDER DEADLINE. REQUEST RESPONSE BY MARCH 22.

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